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<b>Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>		<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
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Date of Interview: 26 April 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
 c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.  
 If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 22.

Identification of prior art discussed: Sklar (US PUB 2002/0055780), Huebner US Pat 5,234,430, Mahoney, III (US Pat 5,282,802, and Li (US Pat 5,707,395), and Wenstrom, JR. (US Pat 6,152,928).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.


Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Representative for applicant wanted to discuss application of the Sklar reference. Examiner asserted that at least claim 1 still read on the prior art of record. The encircling and securing means was basis for a broad interpretation. Further, the anchor in the Sklar reference was interpreted with functional limitations wherein the anchor would be capable of engaging the graft, encircling means, and the bone tunnel together. Representative also wished to discuss the structural limitations of claim 22 .